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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, August 29th, 1912.

THE HON. MR. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C., in a letter which appears in another column, invites those Peak residents whose houses have been entered by thieves during the past few months to meet him privately at his office this morning "with a view to concerted action being taken for the improvement of the present state of affairs."

Most people who read the Hon. Mr. Pollock's letter will wish that a wider invitation had been given, for the numerous robberies which have recently taken place on the Peak and in other districts of the Colony have created considerable alarm among house-holders and especially among ladies. It is quite time that something were done to give the community a better sense of a curity. The public has been officially informed, through a reply given to a question in the Legislative Council last week, that there are no grounds for the opinion that the number of "burglaries" which have occurred in the Colony this year are greatly in excess of the average number; but, as we remarked a few days ago, the police doubtless draw a finer distinction between "burglaries" and "larcenies" than do the general public, and we fancy the statistics of burglaries and larcenies combined would show this year a considerable increase on those of previous years. That is the general opinion, at all events; and there is great anxiety to know when adequate measures are going to be taken to give residents better protection.

So few of the thieves have been captured that one cannot safely generalise concerning the class from which they come. The fact of competition at present being so keen among the steamboats plying between this Colony and Canton, that a passage can be obtained for fifteen cents, has doubtless caused a large influx of the criminal classes from the mainland; but, generally speaking, the circumstances connected with these robberies from European houses point very clearly to the fact that the perpetrators are no strangers to the Colony, but are in all probability discharged servants who are familiar with the houses and the habits of the occupants. The fact that they are able to get away so successfully with their booty shows, that the policing of the whole district needs improvement. Six nights out of seven one may travel up any of the approaches to the Peak without meeting a policeman above the Robinson Road level. If a thief is able to get away from a house with his booty it seems to us that he stands in little danger of being stopped by a policeman within a mile or two of the scene of his operations. Seeing that European houses have become especial objects of attention on the part of the thieving fraternity, it is obviously desirable that the police protection of these districts should be strengthened. We may mention here that the police force of the entire Colony numbers over 1,100 and that the cost of maintenance last year was \$556,985. That is a large force for a Colony of less than half a million people to maintain. The force to-day is larger than it has ever been, but if it cannot give to residents reasonable protection of their property it is for the Government to ascertain the reason and to find the remedy which the public urgently demands. We have heard, at least, three suggestions made, as to the means whereby this epidemic of robberies may be checked. The first which occurs to everybody is that the police patrols should be strengthened. Another suggestion is that the Government should pass a short Bill giving householders whose property is raided authority to shoot at fleeing thieves; and a third suggestion is that all Chinese in the European residential districts should be required to carry a lantern after dark. The last is a remedy far more drastic than we think the occasion demands. All these robberies are probably the work of a very small gang, and it ought not to be beyond the capacity of the police to round them up. In advocating the strengthening of the patrols we do not necessarily advocate the permanent increase of the force. We have in mind rather the idea that a considerable number of Indian troops, at present crowded in temporary barracks at Junk Bay, might be spared for police duty in certain parts of the Colony. This reliving a number of police to strengthen the patrols in other parts of the Colony. It is imperative that something be done at once, for it is scandalous in a Colony which has a police force of over 1,100 men and a garrison of over 5,000 troops, that such a state of affairs should prevail as to justify a member of the Legislative Council in publicly warning householders at the Peak "that they cannot safely keep silver articles or portable valuables in their house, and more especially in their bed-room, unless they are prepared to defy the heat and to sleep with the venetians or windows of their bedroom closed, or else to put up a grille or some netting in the frame-work of those outside windows which they intend to leave open at night."

The *Talbot*, cruiser, has been selected for a "trooping" trip to the China Station.

Major H. C. Hall, R.G.A., Plymouth, has been placed under orders for Hongkong, to join No. 83 Co. R.G.A.

Major W. B. Anley, R.G.A., formerly with No. 87 Co., Hongkong, has been appointed armament officer at Singapore.

The third engineer of the s.s. *Haitan*, named Peter Blair Allan, has been missing since 7 o'clock on Tuesday morning.

A fire took place at the village of She Tsoi on Tuesday, but was extinguished by the inmates of the house assisted by neighbours.

At the Magistracy yesterday a Japanese was fined \$50 or six weeks in prison for stowing away on the *Mishima Maru* from Shanghai to Hongkong.

The museum at the City Hall last week was visited by 3,137 Chinese and 156 non-Chinese, while the Library was visited by 418 non-Chinese and 103 Chinese.

Paragraphs appearing in the vernacular press show that a good deal of attention is now being paid to mining development. A movement is on foot at Wuchang to establish a bank with a capital of \$3,000,000 for the special purpose of assisting mining enterprises.

Mr. Emil Seligmann, of Shanghai House, Botolph-lane, Eastcheap, E.C., wholesale tea, coffee, and cocoa merchant, and export rum merchant, formerly a bank manager in China, who died June 6th last, aged 74 years, left estate of the gross value of £132,741, of which the net personalty has been sworn at £132,247.

A deformed Chinese was brought before Mr. J. M. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday charged with having been found in possession of an automatic pistol and 2,000 rounds of ammunition. Mr. F. X. d'Almada, who appeared for the defence, said the man came from the country to Hongkong to be cured. His Worship remanded the case for inquiries.

It is officially announced in Paris that M. Liebert, French Consul at Hongkong, and M. Flayelle, Consul at Montevideo, have been appointed Consuls-General, whilst M. Dolre, Vice-Consul at Hokow, has been made a consul of the second-class. Amongst diplomats charged with the functions of their grade appears the name of M. Borel, Embassy Secretary at Peking.

Commander Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O., has been appointed to the command of the ship *Chio*, on the China Station. Commander Mackenzie joined the service in 1885, got his Lieutenantcy in 1894, and his present rank in June, 1906. He earned his decoration on the China Station during the war of 1900. He was then in command of the destroyer *Whiting*, in which he led the cutting out attack on the Chinese destroyers in November of that year.

In view of the numerous reported burglaries and larcenies it is interesting to note how much in this direction can be accomplished by one man. On Tuesday the Wanchai police arrested a man carrying a bundle which on inspection looked like the proceeds of a burglary or larceny. A paper with an address in Japanese afforded Sergt. Gerrard a clue, and on proceeding there he received information which disclosed two if not more burglaries, probably committed by this man. Two Japanese householders recognized articles belonging to them which had been stolen from their house, and other goods they could not identify was subsequently identified by a friend of theirs who had been victimised in a similar manner. The hearing of the case was remanded until Friday.

THE CHEUNG CHAU PIRACY.

The report we published yesterday morning that the Macao police had succeeded in capturing some of the pirates concerned in the outrage at Cheung Chau, is confirmed. We understand that six persons have been arrested, and that in addition to part of the jewellery looted from the pawnshop being found, some of the rifles taken from the police station have been recovered.

The further particulars to hand are to the effect that the junk was near the Beira Grande when the police boarded her and that several of the crew jumped into the water and succeeded in escaping into Chinese territory. It is understood that one of the women captured was the concubine of one of the leaders of the gang.

LAUNCH AT TAIKOO DOCKYARD.

A steel screw tug boat, built to the order of The Taikoo Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., was successfully launched at Taikoo Dockyard yesterday morning. The vessel presents a smart and serviceable appearance, and is of the following dimensions:—Length over all, 88ft.; breadth moulded, 18ft.; depth moulded, 10ft. A shortbridge has been fitted over the dockhouse forward, and hand steering gear installed. For working, anchors a quick warping winch is provided forward, which can also be utilized for loading and discharging cargo when desired, the mast having a suitable derrick and gear fitted. The machinery consists of one set of engines of the vertical, direct-acting, surface-condensing, compound type, and steam will be supplied by one multitubular boiler having a working pressure of 140 lbs. The vessel will have a speed of 14 knots. As she left the ways the vessel was christened *Taikoo Kom* by Miss Templeton, daughter of Mr. D. Templeton.

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

The telegram quoted below was received at the American Consulate-General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 11.45 a.m. yesterday:—

Cyclone or Typhoon over or near Malacca moving W.

Cyclone or Typhoon W. of northern Luzon more than 100 miles distant, almost stationary.

Cyclone or Typhoon near or over the northern Ladrone or Mariana Islands, almost stationary.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ROBBERIES ON THE PEAK.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—I should be much obliged if those Peak Residents whose houses have been entered by thieves during the past few months would kindly meet me privately, at my office, 5, Queen's Road Central, this (Thursday) morning, at 12.30, with a view to concerted action being taken for the improvement of the present state of affairs.

I take this opportunity of warning householders at the Peak that, under present Police arrangements, they cannot safely keep silver articles or portable valuables in their house, and more especially in their bed-room, unless they are prepared to defy the heat and to sleep with the venetians or windows of their bedroom closed, or else to put up a grille or some netting in the frame-work of those outside windows which they intend to leave open at night.—Yours faithfully,

H. E. POLLOCK.

29th August, 1912.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—I see in this evening's papers a letter from the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock inviting those Peak Residents whose houses have been entered by thieves during the past few months to meet him privately at his office to-morrow morning at 12.30 with a view to concerted action being taken for the improvement of the present state of affairs.

Now, Mr. Editor, I should like to ask Mr. Pollock why Peak residents only? What about all the other European residents in the Colony, including Kowloon, who have been burgled during the past few months, many of them to a much greater extent than the "Peak residents"? Is it an oversight? or is it the rotten social distinction which seems to be the reason why no concerted action is taken in anything in the Colony? and precludes the Peakites from coming down to the level of other people in the Colony, and prevents that concerted action which the Government know so well is lacking, and act accordingly. Another question I should like to ask Mr. Pollock is:—Being a member of the Legislative Council, why has he waited until the thieves paid him a visit before taking any action?—although as he says in his letter the thieving has been going on for months.

Is there any wonder that the ratepayers take so little interest in the election of the Unofficial Members of the Council when, as is seen in this case, it requires them to be personally affected before they carry out the duties for which they were elected?

I am well aware, Mr. Editor, of the difficulty in getting people to attend meetings in Hongkong, especially in the hot weather, but would suggest that the "Unofficial Members" call a meeting of Ratepayers to discuss the "Police Question" for a start. Later on other meetings might be called to discuss other questions which might well receive the attention of the Public and thereby stimulate the Government to better things.—I am, Sir,

"NOT A PEAKITE."
Hongkong, 28th August, 1912.

THE BANDMANN COMPANY.

Last night the attraction at the Theatre was the well-known musical comedy entitled "Peggy." To Hongkong playgoers the piece is familiar, having already been twice staged by the same Company. On this occasion Miss Georgie Corlass played the title rôle, and in the popular ditty "Bill," this clever artist had to respond to the demand for an encore. Messrs. Roberts, McGrath, Frith, and Miss Kitty Barlow, who continue in their respective parts, and the production was creditable throughout.

To-night the Company play "Our Miss Gibbs."

The Bandmann Opera Co. have decided to prolong their season for three nights. This will enable the Company to give the pieces they intended giving last week—the Waltz Dream, the Quaker Girl and the Dollar Princess.

GANG ROBBERS IN A CHINESE THEATRE.

A score of gang robbers, armed with knives and clubs, recently entered a Chinese theatre at Lunas, Kedah, and overawed the few men present. They tore off the jewellery worn by the actresses (actress?) and inflicted a number of bruises and decimated after collecting \$1,000 worth of property. There is a police station a hundred yards away, but despite the uproar none of the officials appeared on the scene until it was too late. Three arrests have since been made.

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHINA AND TIBET.

THE ADVICE OF "THE TIMES" TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, August 28th.

Reuter's correspondent at Simla telegraphs that the first batch of 500 disbanded Chinese soldiers are reported to have left Lhasa for Gyantse.

The *Times*, following up its article of the 25th July, contends that during the last few weeks an entirely new situation has arisen in Tibet. All our acknowledgements of Chinese suzerainty were made in circumstances which do not now exist. The renewed Chinese invasion will doubtless be accompanied by barbarity and followed by merciless oppression. We ought to insist that Chinese intervention will never again be exercised except within well-defined limits. Tibet must not again be deprived of her twice won autonomy. A clause in the Anglo-Russian Convention prohibiting representatives at Lhasa ought to be reconsidered. Since the extent of British interest and the welfare of the Tibetans suggest appointing a competent British representative at Lhasa, the present is the most favourable moment to examine the suggestion.

The *Statesman's* correspondent at Kalimpong telegraphs that the compact for the cessation of hostilities was sealed on the 12th August. The Chinese and Tibetan arms were handed over to the Nepalese officials representing the two sides and were stored in a sealed house. The Amban's bodyguard and staff remain at Lhasa. The exact terms of the compact are not known, but it appears that the Tibetans insisted upon the continuance of the old relationship.

THE KAISER.

LONDON, August 28th.

The Kaiser is better, but suffering from exhaustion and swelling of the glands and muscles of the neck, and is feverish. The symptoms have subsided. He is ordered complete rest. His Majesty's illness was caused by the inclement weather experienced at Mayence and when motoring, and thereafter disobeying the wishes of the physicians.

TURKEY AND ITALY.

LONDON, August 28th.

Reuter's correspondent at Jaffa telegraphs that six Italian war ships arrived there on Tuesday morning. Three proceeded northwards and three anchored. The latter searched a cargo boat at Leris for contraband.

THE BALKAN UNREST.

LONDON, August 28th.

A message from Constantinople states that in Turkish official circles it is believed that peace will not be disturbed because there is an army of 300,000 in European Turkey which could be doubled in three months. The view is also held that the agitation in Bulgaria is certain to subside when justice is meted out over the Kochana affair and the Bulgarians are convinced that the Porte will decline to entertain any proposals by the Powers on the lines of Count Berchtold's proposal.

A CRETAN PLOT TO SEIZE SAMOS.

LONDON, August 28th.

The cruiser *Diana* has hastily left Malta for Crete. There is some anxiety in the situation there owing to the discovery of a Cretan plot to seize Samos and hoist the Greek flag. A French warship is also proceeding to Crete.

TROUBLED MOROCCO.

LONDON, August 28th.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris wires that there is a strong outcry in the country demanding the rescue of the Marra-kesh prisoners. The newspapers unanimously insist upon vigorous measures.

MOTOR ACCIDENT TO MR. BONAR LAW.

LONDON, August 28th.

Mr. Bonar Law, after a round at golf, was motoring towards Margum when he had a bad smash with another car at a dangerous corner. All the six motorists were badly shaken.

"THE TERRIBLE MONTH."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE TERRIBLE FLIGHT OF NORWICH.

LONDON, August 28th.

Messages despatched from Norwich on Monday are only just coming through. They record an extraordinary state of affairs. It rained incessantly for seventeen hours. The water is several feet high in some of the streets, and boats are piled in these. The tramway service is stopped, and business is at a standstill. The weather prospects are improving, but the East coast resorts are still cut off.

East Anglia, which was inundated, is now in communication with the South, but not the Midlands nor the North. Mails from Manchester are being sent to London via Ipswich. Brakes took the railway passengers twelve miles into Norwich.

The deluge in the eastern counties is widespread, and the floods have done vast damage in Norwich, Lowestoft, Yarmouth, Cromer, etc., completely cutting them off from London. Booking to many seaside resorts has been cancelled. The position is unparalleled in history.

A number of branch railways are at a standstill in the Midlands.

Later.

The latest news from Norwich is that the conditions are worse. The river is rising.

Floods are also serious in Wales and the Midlands. Thousands of acres are under water in the Severn, Warwickshire, Avon, Trent and other valleys.

The Norwich correspondent of the *London Daily Mail*, telegraphing at one o'clock this morning, says the water in the poorer quarters has risen to 13 ft. and that 7,000 people are homeless. Women and children are being rescued from the upper storeys with great difficulty by means of ladders. Darkness prevailed owing to the flooding of the Electric Light Works, and Norwich, though in the midst of a waste of waters is being threatened with a water famine, the pumping station of the waterworks being also flooded.

A number of animals are drowning in the surrounding districts and cottages and bridges are being washed away.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS.

BRITISH REPRESENTATIONS RENEWED.

LONDON, August 28th.

The Washington correspondent of the *Times* reports that Mr. Mitchell James, the British Chargé d'Affaires, has renewed his representations regarding the Panama Canal shipping tolls, and has informed the State Department that Great Britain adheres to her previous views.

These representations will probably be followed by a reasoned protest when the text of the Act has been examined in London, and if the difference cannot be composed diplomatically Great Britain will demand the submission of the question to arbitration.

SUFFRAGETTE DEPUTATION TO MR. BORDEN.

LONDON, August 28th.

Mr. Borden, the Canadian Premier, received a deputation of suffragettes at the Savoy Hotel.

The deputation pointed out that women in Australia and New Zealand had voted and emphasised that on his reply depended whether the suffragettes would start a campaign advising emigrants to go to Australia rather than to Canada, and also to advise the Canadian suffragettes to start a militant agitation.

Mr. Borden replied that he had no intention at present to legislate on suffragette lines, because the Provincial Legislatures had absolute control of the franchise laws. The Dominion Parliament had no power whatever.

RESTORING LONDON'S TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION.

LONDON, August 28th.

The telegraphic communication, destroyed by the fire in the London Post Office, is being restored.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE HONOURED.

LONDON, August 28th.

The Duke of Devonshire has received the Grand Cross of the Victorian Order.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

August 27th.
PREVIOUS DISHONEST OFFICIALS.

After the Revolution many men in public positions who knew that they would have to quit on the advent of the new régime made off with public money and in some cases sold furniture and other things belonging to the Government and ran off to what they considered a secure retreat. Lately news of several of these fugitives has come to hand and steps are being taken to bring them back to Canton to stand trial for embezzlement of public funds and property. A man named Chu has just been discovered in Shanghai, who with several others made off with all the funds and most of the valuable instruments belonging to the Government Medical College. These people are being brought back here for trial. Also the officer in charge of the link station at Kongmoon at the beginning of the Revolution, who cleared out with all the public funds he could lay hands on, has been found and is to come before the Government at an early date. This move on the part of the present officials is drawing the attention of the populace to the current stories of mismanagement and extravagance; but the present officials are so much better and more honest than those who have just been brought back for trial that these incidents are likely to have a good effect.

RAILWAY NATIONALIZATION.

Meetings are still being held protesting against the scheme for nationalizing the Yuet-Han Railway and it is now almost certain that this will not be attempted, or, if it is, it is certain that the merchants here who own and manage the railway will not be allowed to lose anything. The charitable societies have held several meetings and telegrams have been sent to the Central Government at Peking strongly protesting. These societies practically represent all the merchants in the city and their advice or protest is not to be sneered at or ignored.

PLAGUE AT LUICHOW.

Some time ago we reported an outbreak of plague in the Luichow prefecture. This has not abated despite precautions taken and is still pretty bad, quite a number of people having succumbed. Now further steps are to be taken, the sufferers are to be completely isolated and two foreign-trained doctors are being sent by the Government to the plague-stricken area. If necessary other doctors will be despatched also, as the authorities are determined not to allow this epidemic to spread.

LOCAL BANK NOTES.

The present value of the paper currency and the discount existing over the question of discount does not seem to deter the Government from issuing more bank-notes. The notes in currency before this were \$10, \$5, and \$1 bills, but now it is intended to issue also \$2 notes and 50 cent notes. What the effect of launching more notes on the market will be one can fairly well foresee. It is almost bound to have the effect of causing people to demand silver more and more, and cause the discount on the paper currency to increase. Unless the Government can get a loan and that quickly here, there is going to be trouble over the money question and all the proclamations that ever existed will not prevent it. The Mint Bureau, where people can change one dollar at a time into silver, is still open and crowds are found there every day, so much so that the Red Cross Society has been lately attending to more than 20 people daily hurt in the crush. But even this is not doing much good, and only serves to emphasize the fact that the paper money is not worth its face value.

EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES.

As a result of the late Conference greater attention is being paid to educational matters in the country districts, and several appeals have come from these districts for financial assistance. Money has been paid out of the Exchequer for this purpose, but now the authorities have notified all educational centres in the outlying districts that they must make their school self-supporting or raise funds to carry them on in their respective districts, and the Government here cannot afford to carry their share at this time.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY ON RAILWAY.

As a passenger train on the Yuet-Han Railway was passing Kwan Tin a large band of armed robbers opened fire on the carriages and tried to stop the train. The engine-driver, however, was not hit and putting on more speed managed to get out of the danger zone safely. Two people on the train were wounded and not much damage done, so that altogether it was a lucky escape. Baulked of their purpose here, the band of robbers, who numbered about a hundred, marched to the two nearest villages, Shi Ling and Ng Woo, where they looted and robbed to their hearts' content. Not satisfied they tried to capture a military station

with a view to taking possession of the arms and ammunition, but they were driven back and messages were sent to headquarters for reinforcements. Soldiers were sent from Canton at once to help the garrison to defeat and scatter these robbers, but the robbers tore up a part of the railway line to cause their delay in the hope that another attempt on the station would prove successful. However, the line was rapidly put in working order and the soldiers arrived at their destination to find the robbers had disappeared. This sort of thing has been expected in this district for some time. Robberies have been very common and crowds of bad characters have found their way here, so that a large number of soldiers will be necessary to keep order for some time now.

CHINESE MINISTER ON A SEED FARM.

The Chinese Minister Lew Yuk Lin, accompanied by his two daughters and Mr. and the Misses Lew, paid a visit recently to the large Essex seed farms of Messrs. John K. King & Sons, of Coggeshall. The object of the visit was to inspect the series of experiments and the process of pedigree selection. Details of the system were minutely described, and the experimental trial plots, numbering upwards of 700 various kinds of seeds, were inspected. The visitors were enthusiastic in their expressions of approval of the thoroughly practical manner in which these experiments and general details of seed-growing work are carried out. His Excellency and party were entertained to lunch by Mr. Herbert T. King at his residence, Orchard House, and subsequently took tea at the Old House Farm.

THE LATE JAPANESE EMPEROR'S BIRTHDAY.

It is the universal desire of the Japanese, says the *Asahi*, that the birthday of the late Emperor should be observed in perpetuity, and the Court is taking up the question in view of the fact that His Majesty's achievements are recognized not only in his own country but throughout the world. Both the Government and the people are united in recognizing the desirability of immortalizing his memory. An idea is gaining currency that the *Tencho-setsu* of the late Emperor should be termed the *Chuko-setsu* (Festival of Modern Reorganization) and should be observed as a public holiday.

LOCUSTS IN MALAYA.

The British Resident in Perak has issued a circular to the district and other officers, earnestly requesting them to report to the Director of Agriculture the presence of locusts. It is said that these constitute a new danger to agriculture in Malaya. Several big swarms have frequently been encountered by motorists, at the sides of roads. So far there are no reports of rubber in Perak being attacked.

COST OF THE PHILIPPINES.

The Washington correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* writing on the Presidential campaign says:—The Democrats declare the annexation of the Philippines to have been an inexcusable blunder, which has involved the nation in enormous expense, brought it weakness instead of strength, and laid it open to the charge of abandonment of the fundamental doctrine of self-government. They favour an immediate declaration of the nation's purpose to recognize the independence of the Philippine Islands as soon as a stable government can be established, such independence to be guaranteed by the United States until the neutralization of the islands can be secured by treaty with other Powers. The Republicans do not commit themselves, one way or the other, but merely declare that "our duty toward the Filipino people is a national obligation which should remain entirely free from partisan politics."

SAVINGS OF A WEEK.

The outstanding fact in contemporary politics is the indifference of the public to the proceedings of Parliament.—*Mr. Harold Cox.*

Almost every one of us knows that he still is on some point startlingly below the mental average, as if there were a blind spot on his brain.—*Mr. G. K. Chesterton.*

The problems of the democracies of the ancient world were simplicity itself compared with those which the modern world democracies have to solve.—*Lord Selborne.*

Rid yourselves of that kind of provincialism which can only see one thing in the world worth worshipping.—*Sir Gilbert Parker.*

There never was a time when a capable fellow had such a chance as to-day.—*The Lord Chancellor.*

The hall mark of a good scholar is not necessarily a big library, but a book read over and over again.—*Professor Gilbert Murray.*

I beg everybody to spend the petty sum of 1s. 5d. in obtaining the Putnam Blue Book and learning something of the possibilities of commercial greed in the twentieth century.—*Canon Benson.*

The extravagance of woman's dress has reached such a point that even the ordinary men in the street feel disgusted.—*Lord Cavendish.*

This country is full of wise people—most of them only wise after the event.—*Mr. Justice Darling.*

If there is one person I trust less than a bureaucrat it is an expert.—*Lord Robert Cecil.*

THE HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

We take the following from *United Empire*, the Royal Colonial Institute Journal:—

The decision of the senate of Hongkong University to develop the applied sciences side will meet with general approval. The first step taken was to cable for a professor of engineering, and in Professor C. A. M. Smith, B.Sc., who has obtained the appointment, the University have secured one specially qualified for the particular work he is taking up. For the last five years he has been working at the East London College of the University of London, and he is distinguished both from an educational and research point of view. In research work he has contributed many scientific papers in connection with tests on the strength and elasticity of materials, and it was he who first named and definitely proved what is now known as "Guest's law" for the failure of mild steel under combined stress. His published works include several engineering handbooks of considerable importance, and altogether Hongkong must be congratulated on securing such a brilliant exponent of the science of engineering. There is no doubt that the greatest possibility for usefulness for the new University lies in the direction of the development of applied science. The Chinese are specially attracted by courses of instruction which have a definite end. There are three Chinese universities which give a training in engineering: at Tientsin, where the graduate course covers much the same ground as that of an English or American college; at Tangshan, and at Shansi, while different courses can be followed at the Peking Polytechnic. But the student of Chinese educational methods is aware that a great deal exists on paper which is still in embryo, and the difficulty of providing first-class teachers is one of the first to be met and overcome. Under Professor Smith the engineering faculty at Hongkong should take a high place, and the more so that, not content with his present experience, he is travelling out to his new sphere via the United States and Canada, under the auspices of the International Exchange of Students, in order to get fresh ideas on the educational side of the sciences. It is to be hoped that a medical faculty under equally favourable auspices, will also be organised shortly, for the advance of China very largely depends on the thoroughness with which the student of to-day absorbs the scientific knowledge of the West.

FINANCING CHINA.

A NEW SCHEME REJECTED.

The independent group of bankers have evolved a definite scheme for financing China through a bank on lines similar to those of the Imperial Ottoman Bank and have proposed that all revenues of China shall be paid into this bank. Their proposals have been considered at a meeting of the Cabinet and, it is understood, have been rejected unanimously. The Ministry of Finance at Peking has published a decree, that the subscriptions to the patriotic funds have to be abandoned, and that instead of them subscriptions will be procured for Government bonds all over China.

RUSSIA AND MONGOLIA.

The *Russkoe Slovo*, of Moscow, makes the striking statement that an agreement has just been concluded between the Russian Government and the Khutukhtu Lamm of Mongolia containing the following provisions:—

- (1)—Russia undertakes to protect Mongolia against all claims by third Powers which Mongolia regards as unjustified.
 - (2)—Mongolia pledges herself to obtain all her loans in Russia.
 - (3)—Russia obtains preferential rights for the exploitation of Mongolian mines.
 - (4)—Mongolia pledges herself to grant no concession to any other Power except Russia for the construction of railways.
 - (5)—The interference of China in the affairs of independent Mongolia is proclaimed to be inadmissible.
- It may be observed so far as the third and fourth clauses are concerned that Russia has enjoyed the exclusive privilege of constructing railways and exploiting mines in Mongolia since the Russo-Chinese treaties of 1900-1.

LOOKING DOWN ON THE SOVEREIGN.

The *Japan Times* makes a mild protest against a regulation which orders all the windows of upper stories to be closed when the Emperor passes so that no one shall look down on the Sovereign, and which it is proposed to enforce during the passage of the Imperial cortege. The Tokyo journal says that such a regulation is an anachronism in these days. "To give an instance, the footmen at the rear of the Imperial carriage are constantly looking down on their august master. Again, whereas even the highest officers of the army had formerly to be on their knees in the Imperial presence, to-day the rule is that they should stand at attention—thus to look down on his Sovereign should the latter happen to be sitting."

DEATH OF A SHIP'S COMMANDER.

The death occurred on the morning of August 11th, at the Colombo General Hospital, of Captain Licht, of the steamer *Tanquerbe*, belonging to the Danish East Asiatic Company. Captain Licht was landed in Colombo a fortnight previously suffering from dysentery, the *Tanquerbe* putting in at that port on her voyage from Suva to Singapore owing to the serious condition of the captain.

THE ALLAN WILKIE COMPANY.

Mr. Allan Wilkie, the eminent actor-manager, assisted by the talented actress, Miss Frediwyde Hunter Watts, and a powerful London Company, will open at Hongkong for a short season commencing on September 12th. We are informed that the Company is not one which has been hastily collected together to make a tour of the East, but a Company which has, with certain exceptions, been playing in London and all the larger provincial towns for quite a number of years. Mr. Wilkie, who has the distinction of bringing this fully equipped Shakespearean Repertoire Company to India and the East, has been associated with all the principal London managers, including Sir Herbert Tree, Miss Julia Neilson, Mr. Fred. Terry, etc., and has appeared in all the leading West End theatres. He had the honour of appearing on several occasions before the late King Edward, two of these performances being by special command. In October, 1904, he became his own manager, and ever since he and his associates have met with the greatest successes both in London and the provinces. During his season at the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, he was commanded to give a performance of "Othello" before His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen and the Viceroyal Court, which was pronounced "an unqualified success."

The *Pall Mall Gazette* writing some time ago on Mr. Wilkie's presentation of "Hamlet" says:—"Mr. Wilkie is earnest and unaffected, and he speaks the poet's verses very well. Last night his delivery of the 'Peasant Slave' soliloquy and his acting in the crisis of the play scene was much and deservedly cheered. A quite beautiful performance in the part of Ophelia by Miss Hunter Watts added to the pleasure of the audience. Indeed the whole rendering of the tragedy was one of the best we have seen, being sincere, intelligent, and unmarred by that straining after effect so depressingly familiar in these days."

Encouraged by the marvellous successes achieved in the United Kingdom, Mr. Wilkie entered upon the bold plan of bringing out a Company to Calcutta, where he opened in October last at the Opera House, for a season of four weeks, playing "The Merchant of Venice," "Othello," "Hamlet," "Romeo and Juliet" and other standard plays to crowded houses. In fact, it was then said that the Opera House had never seen such packed houses before. The successes of the Company achieved on their first visit to the Empire were quite phenomenal. It would be difficult to imagine a more masterly performance than that given by Mr. Wilkie as "The Jew" in "The Merchant of Venice." His powerful interpretation of "Mathias" in "The Bells" showed him to be a dramatic actor of rare talent. His other performances as "Petruchio" in "The Taming of the Shrew," "Falstaff" in "The Merry Wives of Windsor," the Cardinal Giovanni di Medici in "The Cardinal," Marcus Superbus in "The Sign of the Cross" and many others, were also of equal value.

The Company, notwithstanding the tropical climate of an Indian summer, have toured ever since in India and wherever they appeared they had most enthusiastic receptions. In the person of Miss Frediwyde Hunter Watts, Mr. Wilkie has been particularly fortunate in securing the services of the most beautiful and talented of leading ladies. Her appearance in Calcutta created quite a furore, where she was admitted by those who had the good fortune of witnessing the presentation of "Romeo and Juliet" in London, to be the most charming "Juliet" of the present generation, and owing to her wonderful versatility she is able to give equally fine impersonations of such widely dissimilar parts as "Katherine" in "The Taming of the Shrew," "Portia" in "The Merchant of Venice," "Lady Macbeth" and "Mercia" in "The Sign of the Cross."

Mr. Arthur Robert Goodall, the leading actor, has been associated with the Shakespearean stage since 1902. He was especially engaged during the last Shakespearean Festival to take the leading part with F. B. Benson in all the performances. He also toured with great success in the United States with Mr. Henry Milford for three years.

Mr. Stafford Dawson, Mr. Wilkie's stage manager, has made a great reputation for himself in managing and staging all the Shakespearean and other standard plays for Mr. Wilkie's Company.

Mr. Phil. Gordon, who takes the comic parts, started his career as an actor forty-two years ago. He was a contemporary of the late Mr. Mathews. He is and has always been a great favourite wherever he appeared. His acting has to be seen to be thoroughly appreciated.

Mr. Pittar, who generally takes the part of "the villain," is an actor of great repute. He has been on the dramatic stage for over fifteen years.

Messrs. Weir, Barrington, and Hicks are also able actors of great talent. Miss Kathleen Chancy, one of the leading ladies, is an actress of great histrionic powers. Miss G. Littlewood, portrays some of the leading roles to great advantage. Miss Vera O'Griffin and Miss Gabrielle Paul possess high qualifications in both the dramatic as well as in the comedy lines. Both ladies have the knack of winning the hearts of their audiences whenever and wherever they appear.

Mr. Wilkie is announced to present in Hongkong "The Liars," "The School for Scandal," "Candida," "Sweet Laverdier," and "Salome."

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PROSPECTUS ESTIMATES EXCEEDED.

The third annual ordinary general meeting of this company was held recently at the London Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Philip Eustace Hervey presiding in the unavoidable absence of the chairman of the company, Mr. E. F. Arbuthnot. The Chairman observed that the shareholders might be congratulated on the early development of the estate, on which planting was only begun in 1907. The company was formed in 1909, but at that time there was no expectation of paying a dividend for the first four years beyond that guaranteed on certain shares. The directors, however, were able to recommend a substantial dividend out of the earnings of the third year. (Cheers.) The yield of 40,782lb. of rubber was obtained practically during 10 months' tapping from about 250 acres. The net average selling price for the season was 1s. 3d., per lb.—nearly 2s. per lb. above the prospectus basis, and though the cost of production was higher than that given in the prospectus, the directors quite hoped that for the current season it would be well within their self-imposed limit of 1s. 6d. per lb. Last August their chairman mentioned that out of the total of 1,072 acres planted there were 1,450 acres clean weeded, but the clean weeding of the whole planted area had now been accomplished. The directors had authorized new planting during the present season to the extent of 800 acres; the new planting would not involve any increase in the labour force. The amount spent on development during the financial year was £19,016, so that they had spent on capital to the closing date of the accounts £209,700. The estate thus stood in the books at rather more than 25s. per cultivated acre. When the planted area was brought up to 2,500 acres by the end of the season the average cost per cultivated acre would probably be reduced to 23s. per acre—a price very few estates in the East could equal. Their assets also included the 500 shares of the Sumatra Proprietary Rubber Plantations (Limited), on which dividends had been received by them as usual. With regard to the shares now ss. paid, the directors proposed calling up 15s. per share by instalments of 5s. per share at intervals of about three months, so that by the middle of next year all shares would be fully paid and would rank alike. The proposed dividend of 10 per cent. would absorb £25,938, including £1,645 paid under guarantee by the vendors and now to be refunded to them, leaving £2812 to carry forward subject to commission due to the manager. The results for the season just closed gave the promise of still better things for the current season. He concluded by proposing the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. H. de Courcy Hamilton seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted, and the dividend mentioned was afterwards approved.

DIRGES FOR THE FUNERAL OF JAPANESE EMPEROR.

Four dirges have been selected from old Japanese classics to be sung with new music at the State funeral ceremony to be held at Aoyama. The selections have been made from the account of the death of the heroic Prince Yamatotake-no-mikoto. The dirges in the original ancient words are given below each with a liberal translation:—
"Nasukino
Tano Inagaran
Inagaran
Hos motokuraw
Tokoro zura."
Like the plant ivy that creeps and embraces the Imperial Tomb, we, overcome by grief and sorrow, fall prostrate about the much-wept-over grave.
"Asashinu haru
Koshi nazumu
Sora wa Yukazu
Ashi yo Yukazu."
We have followed our beloved ruler as far as this wilderness where the wild growth of reeds and bamboo hides the path; or, low in this pathless field and unable to fly like white birds overhead, we hopelessly roam about in the bushes and woods to follow you.
"Umi ka gubeta
Koshi nazumu
Obu Kawarano
Uegusa
Umi gawa Iru-ya."
We have waded into the sea, not to lose you from our sight: the water is waist-deep. We cannot move as we wish; and now seem as helpless as seaweed that drift with the tide.
"Hamatsu chidori
Hamaya Hayakurazu
Leo tsuto."
The white birds which fly not in the water, but over the beach, can follow you, but we who can neither fly like them nor move in the water, cannot follow you and in tears envy the fortunate birds.

Mr. James Ewing Mathieson, of Ladbroke-grove, Notting Hill, W., who died on June 30th, aged 83, left estate valued at £25,351 gross, with net personality £23,053. Mr. Mathieson left £1,000 to the China Inland Mission.

Under the heading of "What's the little game?" a Bangkok paper announces that a Chinaman recently retired from Siam has presented to the Chinese Government 75,000 shares in the China-Siam Navigation Co. and has asked for a Chinese official to come down to look after the Government's interests. President Yuan Shih-kai has accepted the gift and detailed an official.

The Hamburg correspondent of a London contemporary says:—The Japanese Government recently ordered a quantity of weapons from several factories in the neighbourhood of Halle. As one of the main conditions imposed was the delivery of so-called "repairing machines," the manufacturers suspected economic espionage, and have, therefore, according to the Berlin newspapers, refused to execute the orders.

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Hongkong, 29th August, 1912. [1024]

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 7th September, 1912, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1912. [1021]

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Hongkong, 7th August, 1912. [1098]

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SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

OUR STRATIFIED ATMOSPHERE.
The idea that the earth's atmosphere
is distributed in layers, with nearly pure
hydrogen at the top, has been growing
in favour in the last few years, and is
now expanded by the assumption that a
still lighter gas rests on the hydrogen.
This hypothetical gas is called "geocor-
onium," as it is at least similar to the
coronium forming the sun's atmosphere
beyond the hydrogen. Presenting some
of the evidence, Alfred Wegener, Ger-
man physicist, states that twilight rays
seem to be reflected from a height of
about 46 miles, but that after twilight.
See has observed a bluish reflection from
a height of about 133 miles. This elevated
surface is believed to be the bound-
ary line between the hydrogen and the
sudden brightening of large meteors at
a certain point may be caused by reach-
ing a denser air layer. Other observa-
tions confirm the theory of an atmos-
phere of fairly defined layers. It is cal-
culated that at sea-level the air contains
78.1 per cent. of nitrogen, 20.9 of oxygen,
0.939 of argon, 0.0033 of hydrogen, 0.0005
of helium, and only 0.00055 of geo-
coronium; at 25 miles, 89 per cent. of
nitrogen and 10 of oxygen; at 62 miles,
67 per cent. of hydrogen, 29 of geo-
coronium, and 4 of helium; and at 300
miles, 93 per cent. of geocoronium and
7 of hydrogen.

A NOVEL INSECTICIDE.
An unlooked-for remedy for plant lice
on sugar beets has been discovered in
Germany in the phosphorus slag of iron
ore. This is a useful fertilizer, supply-
ing both phosphorus and lime, and J. P.
Wagner reports that when 1,400 pounds
per acre was spread on lice-infested beet
fields the insects disappeared within a
few days.

INTERFERENCE BY SUNLIGHT.
Wireless telegraph messages, as is well-
known, can be sent better at night than
by day, and in tests at two Danish
stations during the recent solar eclipse,
a like strengthening of the signals fol-
lowed the cutting off of the sun's rays in
daytime.

SEEING BY EAR.
A kind of crude vision by the ears—
real and useful, though very imperfect,
—is given the totally blind by the new
"Optophone" of Fournier d'Albe. As
shown at the British Optical Convention,
the instrument includes a pair of high-
resistance telephones, such as are used in
wireless telegraphy, and a long box—18
by 4 x 8 inches in size—containing a
selenium cell or bridge, a battery, two
wire resistances, two adjustable carbon
resistances, and a clock-work interrupter.
As a continuous current gives no sound
in the telephone, the interrupter is used
to produce an intermittent current. With
the telephones fastened to the ears
and the box held in the hand, there is
no sound when the wire and carbon
resistances just balance, but a change in
the light striking the selenium bridge
upsets the balance and causes a ticking
or rasping to be heard in the telephones.
By means of the adjustable or sliding
resistances, the apparatus can be set at
silence with any desired degree of illu-
mination. It is convenient, for instance,
to make the strongest light the zero, and
then the passage of the hand or any shad-
ing with the degree of shade. Such
sounds might be a guide to the blind in
walking about. With darkness as zero,
all kinds of light would be heard, moon-
light having an audible voice, and full
sunshine speaking with a roaring shout.

INSECTS IN ULTRA-VIOLET LIGHT.
Insects are often very susceptible to
ultra-violet light, as experiments by L.
Raybaud have recently shown, this fact
perhaps explaining the aversion of some
species to strong sunlight. In the rays
from a mercury-vapour lamp, such crea-
tures as beetles, houseflies and tadpoles
soon became torpid, and in the course of
a few hours were quite dead. Young
grasshoppers perished in about two days.
Adult grasshoppers showed no apparent
injury after a week's exposure, and
beetles were unaffected.

RADIOACTIVITY IN A STAR ERUPTION.
The discovery of such unstable elements
as uranium and radium in a new star
may have unrealized significance. Prof.
Kustner, of the Observatory at Bonn, has
reported these substances in the spectrum
of the new star in Gemma, the uranium
seeming to be in the metallic form, and
the radium in the form of Niton, the
gaseous emanation.

DRY-ROIL PLANTS IN DAMP BOGS.
Some of the vegetation of peat bogs
proves to be characteristic of dry soils
instead of marshes. Such plants have
been observed by E. Coquide in the bogs
of northern France, and have the ap-
pearance of growing on dry sand or
chalk, although the soil is really damp.
The conclusion is that the bog is made
virtually dry for these plants by the
greater power of absorption of the peat.
Like the plants the peat attracts water
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of common portland cement for each cubic
yard of concrete. When a sudden inunda-
tion came the wall resisted leakage, while
the water penetrated readily into a
neighbouring structure not protected by
the waterproofed cement.

FOOD AND EGGS.
Different broods of ducks were fed re-
spectively with fish, meat and plant
products in the experiments reported by
Magnan to the French Academy of
Sciences. The fish-eaters laid earliest,
the meat-eaters the light days later, and the
vegetarians two and a half months later,
at the age of ten months. Between
December 17th and May 14th the first
brood laid 54 eggs, the second 45, and
the third 19. The eggs of the meat-eat-
ing ducks were heaviest, however, and
those of the vegetarians were next, the
fish-eaters laying the smallest.

THE TRADE OF NEWCHWANG FOR 1911.

Mr. W. J. Cullenell, H.B.M.'s Consul
at Newchwang, in his annual report
says:—
In spite of dislocation and alarm due
to plague in all the surrounding districts
in the spring, widespread floods in the
summer and consequent distress, deep-
ening in many centres into famine as the
year drew to a close, and in spite of the
reaction on the local money market of
the revolutionary movements throughout
China in the autumn, the trade of New-
chwang for 1911 may fairly claim to have
been the largest on record.
It is true that the total (Hk. Tls.
74,271,489 or \$3,699,574 net value) falls
short of the \$10,699,329 assigned to 1905.
But, apart from the fact that \$10,699,329
at 3s. 0 1-10d., the average rate for 1905,
is only Hk. Tls. 73,127,109, it has been
repeatedly shown in these reports that the
trade for 1905 was unnaturally inflated
by causes directly attributable to the
Russo-Japanese war. Mr. Consul Tebbitt,
in his report for 1906, mentions the
"great demand for commodities created
by the huge contending armies in Man-
churia," and Mr. Consul Fulford, in that
for 1905, states that the country had been
denuded of its stock of foreign goods
during the stagnation caused by the war
in 1904. That stock had to be made good,
and in the process speculation swelled the
purchases of importers far more than the
real requirements of the market justified.
Hence the inflated trade of 1905.

cent., on junk-borne trade), \$455,623 (11.5
per cent.) on exports (\$188,055, or 5.5
per cent. on steamer-borne and \$267,768
or 60.5 per cent. on junk-borne trade);
making in all an increase of \$1,233,455,
or 14.1 per cent. on the net total.
The relatively large increases in native
imports and in junk trade, both inward
and outward, may be regarded as a
natural reaction from the somewhat de-
pressed conditions of these branches in
1910, but it is plain that so general and,
on the whole, so evenly distributed an
advance represents a real extension of
genuine business of this port, particu-
larly gratifying in a year when there
were so many adverse circumstances to
contend against.

"HARD TIMES."

REMARKABLE DESCRIPTION OF CONDITIONS
IN TOKYO.

In a recent issue of the *Japan Times*,
the following remarkable article appears,
describing the conditions among the poor
in Tokyo—
"The cost of living keeps going up;
and no one seems to be able to reach out
his hands to bring the steadily ascending
balloon down to the ground. People
helplessly watch the course and merely
gasp. At the same time, poverty, bound
to the earth, walks about in the city at
large, and the miseries of life increase.
Above all the heads of families of the
labouring class seem to have the worst
allotment of miseries [miseries?] and
torments. Many of them are daily desert-
ing their wives and children.
"The labouring men cannot support
their families with the scanty wages they
get. The little store-keepers had [find?] it
impossible to balance the ledger with
the credit ahead of debt, and are uni-
versally discouraged by dull business.
At home their wives need money and
their children cry in hunger. The
many hard-pressed and miserable bus-
bands go out in the morning to their
business or in search of work, just as
usual, but they never return home.
"Thus a number of deserted wives and
fatherless children come daily to the
charity lodging-houses for a night's
shelter, and next day drift away, some
of them to return there again in hunger.
It is said that at the charity lodging-
house in Wakamiya-cho, Honjo, about
sixty of such women and children are
daily taken in. Moreover, most of them
are so sick that they ought to be in bed.
The manager of the house sends the worst
of them to the Mitsui Charity Hospital,
a long distance away, as the hospital of
the [?]

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1912. [121]

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HONGKONG MARU	11,000	TUESDAY, 3rd Dec., at Noon.
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VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA via KEELUNG, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA	"CHICAGO MARU"	6,182	TUESDAY, 3rd Sept., at 1 P.M.
	"TACOMA MARU"	6,178	THURSDAY, 3rd Oct., at 1 P.M.
	"SEATTLE MARU"	6,182	THURSDAY, 31st Oct., at 1 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA	"CANADA MARU"	6,064	TUESDAY, 17th Sept., at 1 P.M.
	"PANAMA MARU"	6,059	TUESDAY, 15th Oct., at 1 P.M.

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TAMUI via SWATOW and AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	TUESDAY, 3rd Sept., at Noon
ANPING via SWATOW and AMOY	"SOSHU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 4th Sept., at 10 A.M.

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Steamer	Tons	Noon, SATURDAY	Steamer	Tons	SATURDAY	FRIDAY
INDIA	8000	January 18	MOOLTAN	10000	Feb. 15	Feb. 21
ASSAYE	7500	February 1	MALOA	12500	Mar. 1	Mar. 7
HIMALAYA	7000	February 15	MOREA	11000	Mar. 15	Mar. 21
DEVANHA	8000	March 1	MARMORA	10500	Mar. 29	April 4
DELTA	8000	March 15	MEDINA	12500	April 12	April 18
INUIA	8000	March 29	Through Steamer		April 26	May 2
ASSAYE	7500	April 12	MONGOLIA	10000	May 10	May 16
DEVANHA	8000	April 26	MACEDONIA	10500	May 24	May 30
CHINA	8000	May 10	MALWA	11000	June 7	June 13

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NOVARA	7000	January 22	February 23	March 5
SUNDA	5700	February 5	March 9	March 19
SARDINIA	7000	February 19	March 23	April 2
SOMALI	7000	March 5	April 6	April 16
NAMUR	7000	March 19	April 20	April 30
NANKIN	7000	April 2	May 4	May 14
NYANZA	7000	April 16	May 18	May 28
FORE	7000	April 30	June 3	June 13
NILE	7000	May 14	June 17	June 27

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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS AND DISPLACEMENT	TONS	SAILING DATES
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MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID

KAGA MARU Capt. G. Tabusa 12,000 {WEDNESDAY, 11th Sept., at Daylight.

ATSUTA MARU Capt. J. Nagao 16,000 {WEDNESDAY, 25th Sept., at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIZU and YOKOHAMA

SHIDZUOKA MARU Capt. 12,500 {TUESDAY, 10th Sept., at 4 P.M.

TAMBA MARU Capt. S. Wada 12,500 {TUESDAY, 24th Sept., at 4 P.M.

SEIDEN and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE

NIKKO MARU Capt. N. Yagi 9,600 {FRIDAY, 30th Aug., at Noon.

KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler 9,600 {FRIDAY, 27th Sept., at Noon.

BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO

BOMBAY MARU Capt. N. Yagi 5,000 {MONDAY, 2nd Sept.

KOBE and YOKOHAMA

HITACHI MARU Capt. T. Yamawaki 13,000 {MONDAY, 2nd Sept., at 11 A.M.

WAKASA MARU Capt. N. Nielsen 12,500 {SUNDAY, 1st Sept.

SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE

YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekino 7,000 {WEDNESDAY, 25th Sept., at Noon.

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